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**Service of Process Transmittal** 

12/01/2020

CT Log Number 538683764

**TO:** Kim Lundy Service Of Process

Walmart Ínc. 702 SW 8TH ST

BENTONVILLE, AR 72716-6209

RE: Process Served in New York

FOR: WALMART INC. (Domestic State: DE)

#### ENCLOSED ARE COPIES OF LEGAL PROCESS RECEIVED BY THE STATUTORY AGENT OF THE ABOVE COMPANY AS FOLLOWS:

TITLE OF ACTION: Gambino Rosanna Antolino and Anthony Gambino, Pltfs. vs. FBG Wall, LLC, et al.,

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**DOCUMENT(S) SERVED:** Notice, Summons, Complaint, Verification

COURT/AGENCY: New York County: Supreme Court, NY

Case # 1595492020

NATURE OF ACTION: Personal Injury - Slip/Trip and Fall - 02/03/2018 at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New

York

**ON WHOM PROCESS WAS SERVED:** C T Corporation System, New York, NY

**DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICE:** By Process Server on 12/01/2020 at 16:56

JURISDICTION SERVED: New York

**APPEARANCE OR ANSWER DUE:** Within 20 days after service, exclusive of the day of service

ATTORNEY(S) / SENDER(S): Natalie A. Zammitti Shaw

Law Offices Rosemarie Arnold 1386 Palisade Avenue

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**ACTION ITEMS:** CT has retained the current log, Retain Date: 12/02/2020, Expected Purge Date:

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Email Notification, Kim Lundy Service Of Process ctlawsuits@walmartlegal.com

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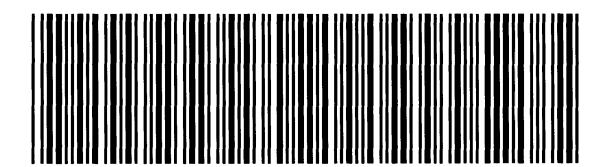
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# SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK

ROSANNA ANTOLINO GAMBINO and ANTHONY GAMBINO,

Index No. 159549/2020

Plaintiffs,

-against-\_

FBG WALL LLC, WALMART, INC., RD
MANAGEMENT LLC, HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC,
D & D GENERAL CONTRACTING & PROPERTY
MAINTENANCE INC., "JOHN DOE", as described in
the complaint,

Defendants.

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Dated:	November 23, 2020
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# SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK **COUNTY OF NEW YORK**

ROSANNA ANTOLINO GAMBINO and ANTHONY GAMBINO,

Index No.

Plaintiffs.

-against-

**SUMMONS** 

FBG WALL LLC, WALMART, INC., RD MANAGEMENT LLC, HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC, D & D GENERAL CONTRACTING & PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC., "JOHN DOE", as described in the complaint,

Defendants.

Plaintiff resides at 3 Moorefield Circle Highland Mills, NY 10930 Venue based upon the Defendant Harriman Commons, LLC residence

To the above named Defendants:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the Plaintiff's Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Notice: The nature of the action is personal injury. The relief sought is monetary damages.

Upon your failure to appear, judgment will be taken against you by default in an amount sought exceeding jurisdictional limits of all Courts lower than the Supreme Court, with interest and the costs of this action from the date of the accident.

Dated: November 6, 2020

/s/ Natalie A. Zammitti Shaw

NATALIE A. ZAMMITTI SHAW Law Offices Rosemarie Arnold Attorneys for Plaintiffs 1386 Palisade Avenue Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024 T: (201) 461-1111 F: (20) 461-1666 555 Madison Avenue, 16th Floor New York, New York 10022 \*\*PLEASE RESPOND TO NEW JERSEY ADDRESS\*\* <u>штьер: мем тоже 1:2/имг05404ын Dogunoenzu-20 Filed 26/18/24</u> Page 6 of 36. ....

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Defendants Addresses:

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### SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK **COUNTY OF NEW YORK**

ROSANNA ANTOLINO GAMBINO, and ANTHONY GAMBINO,

Index No.

Plaintiffs,

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VERIFIED COMPLAINT

FBG WALL, LLC, WALMART, INC., RD MANAGEMENT LLC, HARRIMAN COMMONS LLC, D&D GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, INC., and "JOHN DOE", as described in the complaint,

Defendants.
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Plaintiffs complaining of the Defendants, by their attorneys, LAW OFFICES ROSEMARIE ARNOLD, respectfully alleges, upon information and belief:

#### AS AND FOR A FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

- 1. That at all times mentioned herein, and at the time of the commencement of this action, Plaintiff was a resident of Orange County, State of New York.
- 2. That on February 3, 2018, and at all times mentioned herein, Defendant FBG WALL LLC was and still is, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Arkansas and a corporation duly licensed and authorized to do business in the State of New York.
- 3. That on February 3, 2018, and at all times mentioned herein, Defendant WALMART, INC. was and still is, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware and a corporation duly licensed and authorized to do business in the State of New York.

- 4. That on February 3, 2018, and at all times mentioned herein, Defendant RD MANAGEMENT LLC was and still is, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of New York.
- 5. That on February 3, 2018, and at all times mentioned herein, Defendant HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC was and still is, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of New York.
- 6. That on February 3, 2018, and at all times mentioned herein, Defendant D&D GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, INC. was and still is, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of a state other than New York, but is doing business within the State of New York.
- 7. Upon information and belief, at the times hereinafter mentioned, the defendant "John Doe" is an individual, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or any other business entity who on February 3, 2018 was responsible for the snow and ice removal in the parking lot adjacent to the Walmart located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York and/or had recently thereto attempted to remediate same.
- That on February 3, 2018, Plaintiff was lawfully upon the premises located at 288
   Larkin Drive, County of Orange, State of New York.
- 9. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant FBG WALL LLC owned, leased, rented, operated, controlled, maintained, managed and/or inspected the premises known as Walmart Supercenter, 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York, specifically, the parking lot.
- 10. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant WALMART,
  INC. owned, leased, rented, operated, controlled, maintained, managed and/or

- inspected the premises known as Walmart Supercenter, 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York, specifically the parking lot.
- 11. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant RD MANAGEMENT LLC owned, leased, rented, operated, controlled, maintained, managed and/or inspected the premises known as Walmart Supercenter, 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York, specifically, the parking lot.
- 12. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC owned, leased, rented, operated, controlled, maintained, managed and/or inspected the premises known as Walmart Supercenter, 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York, specifically, the parking lot.
- 13. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant D&D GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC. owned, leased, rented, operated, controlled, maintained, managed and/or inspected the premises known as Walmart Supercenter, 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York, specifically, the parking lot.
- 14. On February 3, 2018, Plaintiff was caused to slip and fall and sustain serious, substantial and permanent personal injuries due to snow and ice in the parking lot outside the premises located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York.
- 15. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant FBG WALL LLC owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York free of any and all obstacles and/or dangerous and/or hazardous conditions including snow or ice and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the aforementioned property in

safe and/or proper condition and/or repair and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to warn them of dangerous and/or hazardous conditions on the premises.

- 16. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant FBG WALL LLC owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to control and/or maintain and/or manage and/or inspect the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York.
- 17. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant WALMART, INC. owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York free of any and all obstacles and/or dangerous and/or hazardous conditions including snow or ice and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the aforementioned property in safe and/or proper condition and/or repair and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to warn them of dangerous and/or hazardous conditions on the premises.
- 18. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant WALMART, INC. owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to control and/or maintain and/or manage and/or inspect the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York.
- 19. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant RD MANAGEMENT LLC owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York free of any and all obstacles and/or dangerous and/or hazardous conditions including snow and ice

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and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the aforementioned property in safe and/or proper condition and/or repair and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to warn them of dangerous and/or hazardous conditions on the premises.

- 20. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant RD MANAGEMENT LLC owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to control and/or maintain and/or manage and/or inspect the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York.
- 21. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York free of any and all obstacles and/or dangerous and/or hazardous conditions including snow or ice and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the aforementioned property in safe and/or proper condition and/or repair and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to warn them of dangerous and/or hazardous conditions on the premises.
- 22. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to control and/or maintain and/or manage and/or inspect the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York.
- 23. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant D&D

  GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC. owed a

  duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the property outside located at

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288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York free of any and all obstacles and/or dangerous and/or hazardous conditions including snow or ice and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the aforementioned property in safe and/or proper condition and/or repair and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to warn them of dangerous and/or hazardous conditions on the premises.

- 24. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant D&D GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC. owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to control and/or maintain and/or manage and/or inspect the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York.
- 25. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant JOHN DOE owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York free of any and all obstacles and/or dangerous and/or hazardous conditions including snow or ice and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to keep the aforementioned property in safe and/or proper condition and/or repair and/or owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to warn them of dangerous and/or hazardous conditions on the premises.
- 26. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant JOHN DOE owed a duty to Plaintiff and persons such as Plaintiff to control and/or maintain and/or manage and/or inspect the property outside located at 288 Larkin Drive, Monroe, New York.

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- 27. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant FBG WALL LLC, breached their aforementioned duties to the public and persons including but not limited to the Plaintiff.
- 28. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant WALMART, INC. breached their aforementioned duties to the public and persons including but not limited to the Plaintiff.
- 29. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant RD MANAGEMENT LLC, breached their aforementioned duties to the public and persons including but not limited to the Plaintiff.
- 30. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC breached their aforementioned duties to the public and persons including but not limited to the Plaintiff.
- 31. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant D&D

  GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC. breached their aforementioned duties to the public and persons including but not limited to the Plaintiff.
- 32. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant JOHN DOE, breached their aforementioned duties to the public and persons including but not limited to the Plaintiff.
- 33. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant FBG WALL LLC, had actual notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries, and/or had constructive notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition

that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice and Plaintiff's injuries, as the subject dangerous and/or hazardous condition existed for period of time prior to the happening of the subject incident, which period of time was such that Defendant FBG WALL LLC, its agents, servants and/or employees, knew or reasonably should have known and/or discovered the condition, and neglected to repair and/or remedy the dangerous and/or hazardous condition which caused the within incident and injuries to Plaintiff.

- 34. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant FBG WALL LLC caused the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries.
- 35. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant WALMART, INC, had actual notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries, and/or had constructive notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice and Plaintiff's injuries, as the subject dangerous and/or hazardous condition existed for period of time prior to the happening of the subject incident, which period of time was such that Defendant WALMART, INC., its agents, servants and/or employees, knew or reasonably should have known and/or discovered the condition, and neglected to repair and/or remedy the dangerous and/or hazardous condition which caused the within incident and injuries to Plaintiff.

incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries.

- 37. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant RD MANAGEMENT LLC, had actual notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries, and/or had constructive notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice and Plaintiff's injuries, as the subject dangerous and/or hazardous condition existed for period of time prior to the happening of the subject incident, which period of time was such that Defendant RD MANAGEMENT LLC, its agents, servants and/or employees, knew or reasonably should have known and/or discovered the condition, and neglected to repair and/or remedy the dangerous and/or hazardous condition which caused the within incident and injuries to Plaintiff.
- 38. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant RD

  MANAGEMENT LLC caused the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries.
- 39. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC had actual notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries, and/or had constructive notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow

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and/or ice and Plaintiff's injuries, as the subject dangerous and/or hazardous condition existed for period of time prior to the happening of the subject incident, which period of time was such that Defendant HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC its agents, servants and/or employees, knew or reasonably should have known and/or discovered the condition, and neglected to repair and/or remedy the dangerous and/or hazardous condition which caused the within incident and injuries to Plaintiff.

- 40. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC caused the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries.
- 41. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant D&D
  GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC. had actual
  notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to
  wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries, and/or had
  constructive notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the
  within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice and Plaintiff's
  injuries, as the subject dangerous and/or hazardous condition existed for period of
  time prior to the happening of the subject incident, which period of time was such that
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  and/or discovered the condition, and neglected to repair and/or remedy the dangerous
  and/or hazardous condition which caused the within incident and injuries to Plaintiff.

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42. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant D&D

GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC. caused the

dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a

parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries.

- 43. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant JOHN DOE, had actual notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries, and/or had constructive notice of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice and Plaintiff's injuries, as the subject dangerous and/or hazardous condition existed for period of time prior to the happening of the subject incident, which period of time was such that Defendant JOHN DOE, its agents, servants and/or employees, knew or reasonably should have known and/or discovered the condition, and neglected to repair and/or remedy the dangerous and/or hazardous condition which caused the within incident and injuries to Plaintiff.
- 44. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant JOHN DOE caused the dangerous and/or hazardous condition that caused the within incident, to wit, a parking lot consisting of snow and/or ice, and Plaintiff's injuries.
- 45. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant FBG WALL LLC failed to warn persons, including but not limited to the Plaintiff, of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition.

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- 46. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant WALMART, INC. failed to warn persons, including but not limited to the Plaintiff, of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition.
- 47. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant RD

  MANAGEMENT LLC failed to warn persons, including but not limited to the

  Plaintiff, of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition.
- 48. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC failed to warn persons, including but not limited to the Plaintiff, of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition.
- 49. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant D&D

  GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC. failed to

  warn persons, including but not limited to the Plaintiff, of the dangerous and/or

  hazardous condition
- 50. At all times mentioned herein, upon information and belief, Defendant JOHN DOE failed to warn persons, including but not limited to the Plaintiff, of the dangerous and/or hazardous condition
- 51. That as a direct and proximate cause, and reasonably foreseeable result of the Defendants' negligence and/or reckless disregard, in allowing and/or permitting the accumulation of snow or ice in the parking lot, Plaintiff suffered from serious, substantial and permanent personal injuries, including but not limited to, surgical intervention consisting of right carpal tunnel release and right ulnar decompression performed by Dr. Neal Shuren on June 19, 2018, surgical intervention consisting of anterior disc arthroplasty at C3-4 and anterior cervical discectomy and fusion at C4-

C5 and C5-C6 performed by Dr. Joshua Rovner on August 19, 2020, and will require further medical aid and assistance for an indefinite period of time, endured conscious pain and suffering and psychological overlay and lost earnings, all of which the Defendants are responsible for.

52. This action falls within one or more of the exceptions set forth in Section 1602 of the CPLR.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, ROSANNA ANTOLINO GAMBINO, demands judgment against the Defendants, FBG WALL LLC, and/or WALMART, INC. and/or RD MANAGEMENT LLC and/or HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC and/or D&D GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC. and/or JOHN DOE, jointly and severally in an amount that exceeds the jurisdictional amount of lower courts, together with punitive damages and the costs and disbursements of this action.

#### AS AND FOR A SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

- 62. Plaintiff repeats, reiterates and re-alleges each and every allegation set forth above with the same force and effect as more fully set forth herein.
- 63. At all times mentioned herein, Plaintiff, ANTHONY GAMBINO is the lawful husband of Plaintiff, ROSANNA ANTOLINO GAMBINO.
- 64. As a result of the negligence of the Defendant(s) aforesaid, Plaintiff, ANTHONY GAMBINO has been and will be deprived of the services, support, society and consortium of his wife for a long period of time.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, ANTHONY GAMBINO, demands judgment against the Defendants, FBG WALL LLC, and/or WALMART, INC. and/or RD MANAGEMENT LLC and/or HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC and/or D&D GENERAL CONTRACTING AND

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PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC. and/or JOHN DOE, jointly and severally in an amount that exceeds the jurisdictional amount of lower courts, together with punitive damages and the costs and disbursements of this action.

Dated: Fort Lee, New Jersey November 6, 2020

/s/ Natalie A. Zammitti Shaw
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#### ATTORNEY'S VERIFICATION

NATALIE A.ZAMMITTI SHAW, an attorney duly admitted to practice before the Courts of the State of New York, affirms the following to be true under the penalties of perjury:

I am a partner at the LAW OFFICES ROSEMARIE ARNOLD, attorneys of record for Plaintiff, ROSANNA ANTOLINO GAMBINO and ANTHONY GAMBINO.

I have read the annexed Verified Complaint and know the contents thereof, and the same are true to my knowledge, except those matters therein which are stated to be alleged upon information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true. My belief, as to those matters therein not stated upon knowledge, is based upon facts, records, and other pertinent information contained in my files.

The reason this verification is made by me and not Plaintiff is that Plaintiff is not presently in the county wherein the attorneys maintain their offices.

Dated: November 6, 2020

/s/ Natalie A. Zammitti Shaw NATALIE A. ZAMMITTI SHAW LAW OFFICES ROSEMARIE ARNOLD

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Index No.: 159549/2020

Plaintiffs,

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VERIFIED ANSWER

FBG WALL LLC, WALMART, INC., RD MANAGEMENT LLC, HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC, D & D GENERAL CONTRACTING & PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC., "JOHN DOE", as described in the complaint,

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The defendant, WAL-MART STORES EAST, LP i/s/h/a WALMART, INC., by its attorneys, BRODY, O'CONNOR & O'CONNOR, ESQS., answering the Verified Complaint herein states upon information and belief:

#### **AS TO THE FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**

FIRST: Defendant denies having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "1", and "2", and each and every part thereof.

SECOND: Defendant denies the allegations set forth in paragraph marked "3", except admits that WAL-MART STORES EAST, LP is a foreign limited partnership registered to do and doing business in the State of New York, leaving all other questions to the Court.

THIRD: Defendant denies having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "4", "5", "6", "7", "8", and "9", and each and every part thereof.

FOURTH: Defendant denies the allegations set forth in paragraph marked "10", except admits that WAL-MART STORES EAST, LP is a sublessee of that portion of the premises comprising the Wal-Mart store in Monroe, New York and is the operator of that Wal-Mart store, leaving all questions of fact to the trier of fact and all questions of law to the Court.

FIFTH: Defendant denies having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "11", "12", "13", "14", "15", and "16", and each and every part thereof.

SIXTH: Defendant denies the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "17", and "18", and respectfully refers all questions of law to the trial Court.

SEVENTH: Defendant denies having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "19", "20", "21", "22", "23", "24", "25", "26", and "27", and each and every part thereof.

EIGHTH: Defendant denies the allegations set forth in paragraph marked "28", and respectfully refers all questions of law to the trial Court.

NINTH: Defendant denies having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "29", "30", "31", "32", "33", and "34", and each and every part thereof.

TENTH: Defendant denies the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "35", and "36", and each and every part thereof.

ELEVENTH: Defendant denies having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "37", "38", "39", "40", "41", "42", "43", "44", and "45", and each and every part thereof.

TWELFTH: Defendant denies the allegations set forth in paragraph marked "46", and each and every part thereof.

THIRTEENTH: Defendant denies having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "47", "48", "49", and "50", and each and every part thereof.

FOURTEENTH: Defendant denies the allegations set forth in paragraph marked "51", and each and every part thereof.

FIFTEENTH: Defendant denies the allegations set forth in paragraph marked "52", and respectfully refers all questions of law to the trial Court.

SIXTEENTH: Defendant denies the allegations set forth in missing paragraphs marked "53", "54", "55", "56", "57", "58", "59", "60", and "61", and each and every part thereof.

#### AS TO THE SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

SEVENTEENTH: Defendant repeats and reiterates each and every denial in answer to paragraphs numbered "1" through "61", of the Complaint as if more particularly hereinafter set forth in answer to paragraph numbered "62", and each and every part thereof.

EIGHTEENTH: Defendant denies having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "63", and "64", and each and every part thereof.

#### AS AND FOR A FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

NINETEENTH: The plaintiff was guilty of culpable conduct, including contributory negligence and/or assumption of risk, and should an award be made to plaintiff, same should be diminished in the proportion which the culpable conduct and/or contributory negligence and/or assumption of risk attributable to the plaintiff bears to the culpable conduct and/or negligence which ILED: NEW YORK COUNTY CLERK 12/16/2020 11:17 AM INDEX NO. 159549/2020

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caused the damages.

#### AS AND FOR A SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

TWENTIETH: In the event that plaintiff recovers judgment against this answering defendant and it is determined that plaintiff's damages were caused in whole or in part by two or more joint tortfeasors, then defendant's liability herein for non-economic loss may not exceed its equitable share of said damages in accordance with its relative culpability, as provided by Section 1601 of the CPLR.

#### AS AND FOR A THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

TWENTY-FIRST: Plaintiff's recovery, if any, shall be reduced by the amount of any collateral payments received, in accordance with CPLR Section 4545.

AS A CROSS COMPLAINT AGAINST CO-DEFENDANT, D & D GENERAL CONTRACTING & PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC., DEFENDANT, WAL-MART STORES EAST, LP, ALLEGES:

If the plaintiff was caused to sustain injuries and damages at the time and place and in the manner alleged in the Complaint through any carelessness, recklessness and negligence other than the plaintiff's own carelessness, reckless and negligence, said injuries and damages were caused by reason of the carelessness, recklessness and negligence and/or affirmative acts of omission or commission and/or breach of contract and/or breach of lease by each party against whom this Cross-Complaint is pleaded and the agents, servants and/or employees of each such party, and if any judgment is recovered herein by the plaintiff against the defendant(s) asserting this Cross-Complaint, the said defendant(s) will be damaged thereby and each party against whom this Cross-Complaint is pleaded is or will be responsible therefor.

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By reason of the foregoing and by reason of indemnification and/or hold harmless

agreements by and between the cross-complaining defendant(s) and each party against whom this

Cross-Complaint is pleaded, each party against whom this Cross-Complaint is pleaded will be liable

to and bound to indemnify the defendant(s) asserting the same in the event of a recovery herein by

the plaintiff against the defendant(s) asserting this Cross-Complaint and bound to pay to the

defendant(s) asserting this Cross-Complaint and all attorneys' fees, costs of investigation and

disbursement.

Alternatively and by reason of the foregoing, each party against whom this Cross-

Complaint is pleaded, on the basis of apportionment of responsibility for the alleged occurrence, will

be liable to contribute to the verdict or judgment recovered against the said defendant(s) asserting

this Cross-Complaint.

WHEREFORE, defendant, WAL-MART STORES EAST, LP i/s/h/a WALMART,

INC., requests judgment dismissing the Complaint herein, together with costs and disbursements of

this action.

Dated: Northport, New York

December 14, 2020

Yours, etc.

BRODY, O'CONNOR & O'CONNOR, ESQS.

Attorneys for Defendant

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TO: LAW OFFICES ROSEMARIE ARNOLD
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**AFFIRMATION BY ATTORNEY** 

The undersigned, an attorney admitted to practice in the Courts of the State of New

York, shows:

That affirmant is the attorney for the defendant in the within action; that affirmant has

read the foregoing Verified Answer and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true to the

affirmant's knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged on information and belief;

and that as to those matters, affirmant believes it to be true.

Affirmant further says that the reason this Verification is made by deponent and not

by the defendant is that defendant is a foreign limited partnership.

The grounds of belief as to all matters not stated upon deponent's knowledge are

documents, correspondence and records maintained in your deponent's files and conversations and

conferences had with the defendant.

The undersigned affirms that the foregoing statements are true under the penalties of

perjury.

Dated: Northport, New York

December 14, 2020

PATRICIA A. O'CONNOR

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK
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ROSANNA ANTOLINO GAMBINO and
ANTHONY GAMBINO,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

**VERIFIED ANSWER** 

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FBG WALL LLC, WALMART, INC., RD MANAGEMENT LLC, HARRIMAN COMMONS, LLC, D & D GENERAL CONTRACTING & PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INC., "JOHN DOE", as described in the complaint,

Defendants.	
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The defendants, FBG WALL LLC and RD MANAGEMENT LLC, by their attorneys, BRODY, O'CONNOR & O'CONNOR, ESQS., answering the Verified Complaint herein state upon information and belief.

#### AS TO THE FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

FIRST: Defendants deny having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraph marked "1", and each and every part thereof.

SECOND: Defendants deny the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "2", "3", and "4", except admits that FBG WALL LLC is a corporation duly licensed and authorized to do business in the State of New York, that WAL-MART STORES EAST, LP is a foreign limited partnership registered to do and doing business in the State of New York, and that RD MANAGEMENT LLC is a limited liability company duly organized under and by virtue of the laws of the State of New York, leaving all other questions to the Court.

THIRD: Defendants deny having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to

the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "5", "6", "7", and "8" and each and every part thereof.

FOURTH: Defendants deny the allegations set forth in aparagraphs marked "9", "10", and "11", except admits that FBG WALL LCC owned that part of the premises where the Walmart store is located, that WAL-MART STORES EAST, LP is a sublessee of that portion of the premises comprising the Wal-Mart store in Monroe, New York and is the operator of that Wal-Mart store, and that RD MANAGEMENT LLC is the managing agent for the owner, leaving all questions of fact to the trier of fact and all questions of law to the Court.

FIFTH: Defendants deny having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "12", "13", and "14", and each and every part thereof.

SIXTH: Defendants deny the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "15", "16", "17", "18", "19" and "20" and respectfully refers all questions of law to the trial Court.

SEVENTH: Defendants deny having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "21", "22", "23", "24", "25" and "26", and each and every part thereof.

EIGHTH: Defendants deny the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "27", "28", and "29" and respectfully refers all questions of law to the trial Court.

NINTH: Defendants deny having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs "30", "31", and "32", and each and every part thereof.

TENTH: Defendants deny the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "33", "34", "35", "36", "37", and "38", and each and every part thereof.

ELEVENTH: Defendants deny having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief

as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "39", "40", "41", "42", "43", and "44", and each and every part thereof.

TWELFTH: Defendants deny the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "45", "46", and "47", and each and every part thereof.

THIRTEENTH: Defendants deny having knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations set forth in paragraphs marked "48", "49", and "50", and each and every part thereof.

FOURTEENTH: Defendants deny the allegations set forth in paragraph marked "51", and each and every part thereof.

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Alternatively and by reason of the foregoing, each party against whom this Cross-Complaint

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to contribute to the verdict or judgment recovered against the said defendant(s) asserting this Cross-

Complaint.

WHEREFORE, defendant, FBG WALL LLC and RD MANAGEMENT LLC, requests

judgment dismissing the Complaint herein, together with costs and disbursements of this action.

Dated: Northport, New York

May 26, 2021

Yours, etc.
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conferences had with the defendant.

The undersigned affirms that the foregoing statements are true under the penalties

of perjury.

Dated: Northport, New Yor

May 26, 2020

Joseph O'Connor

#### **AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING**

STATE OF NEW YORK ) ) ss: COUNTY OF SUFFOLK )

KATELYN OLSEN being duly sworn, deposes and says:

That your deponent is not a party to this action, is over 18 years of age and resides at Greenlawn, New York.

That on the 27th day of May, 2021, deponent served the within VERIFIED ANSWER

UPON: LAW OFFICES ROSEMARIE ARNOLD

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The address designated by said attorney for that purpose by depositing a true copy of same enclosed in a postpaid properly addressed wrapper, in an official depository under the exclusive care and custody of the United States Post Office Department within the State of New York.

ATELYN OLSEN

Sworn to before me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

NOTARY PUBLIC

KAREN A. CONVERSO NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF NEW YORK

No. 01CO4907647

Qualified in Suttolk County

My Commission Expires 10-13-202